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ROUMANIA TO ENTER WAR ON THE SIDE OF THE ALLIES

Newspaper Correspondents Leaving Paris for Roumania
As Result of Orders to Roumanian Reserve—Russia's Crushing Victory Over the Turks Continues to Increase, says Petrograd—Entire Turkish Army Corps Reported Surrounded Last Night at Ardahan is Being Annihilated—Berlin Claims Germans Have Captured Several French Trenches in Argonne and Won Minor Battle Against Russians in Poland—Paris Admits Loss of One Position to Germans Near Steinbach, but Insists French Still Occupy the City—Eight Hundred Yards of German Trenches are Blown Up.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The entry of Roumania into the war on the allies' side is foreshadowed today by the departure of many newspaper correspondents from Paris for Roumania, by the orders of the Roumanian reserve to be ready to aid the Russian advance forces on the Roumanian frontier, all of whom were chosen because they speak the Roumanian language.

Russian's crushing victory over the Turks continues to increase.

Petrograd today reports that the entire Turkish army corps, which was last night surrounded at Ardahan, is being annihilated.

German Successes Claimed

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—An official announcement says that the Germans occupied several French trenches in the Argonne district yesterday and won some minor successes against the Russians, capturing fourteen hundred men.

Still Holding Steinbach

PARIS, Jan. 6.—An official report says that the Germans have recaptured one position near Steinbach, but that the French still hold the main heights.

The Belgian attack in north Belgium has failed.

In Argonne the French blew up 800 yards of German trenches and then captured part of them. In this fight Constantine Garibaldi, brother of the Garibaldi killed recently, also lost his life.

Many German Spies

New York, Jan. 6.—Charles Walter, a Canadian attorney, returning from England today, said that forty-three German spies were arrested among the Canadian troops, which sailed for England last fall. One of them was killed by members of his own company.

Crushing Defeat of Turks.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Two of the three Turkish columns which last week invaded the Russian Caucasus have met with disaster and the troops not killed or captured are in disorderly retreat, pursued by the Russians. The column which took Ardhan two days ago has been driven out of that town, according to the Petrograd official dispatches, and is almost surrounded by the Russians, who hold the main roads.

Another column which crossed the frontier near Sari-Kemish, on the road to Kars, has suffered even a worse defeat, one of the two army corps which composed it being captured in its entirety.

The Austrians also report another victory over the Austrians in the Uzak Pass of the Carpathians. Emperor Francis Joseph's army in this region is declared to be in full retreat in a mountain pass deep in snow, while a violent snowstorm rages and the Russian cavalry is attacking on the flank and rear.

By forcing this passing, the Russians gain control of some of the most valuable oil fields in the Austrian empire, and thus shut off another of the sources of fuel supplies which the Austro-German army are said to need so much. This.

WEATHER FORECAST
New Orleans, La., Jan. 6.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight is fair and colder; Thursday fair.

however, has only been a part of the Russian task. While forcing back the Turks and Austrians, the Russian troops are holding the line of the Mazurian lakes. In east Prussia, are fighting strenuously to withstand the German offensive in North Poland; are advancing toward Cracow, and have crossed Bukovina, which is now virtually in their possession.

Rev. W. T. Amos in the City
W. T. Amos of Hot Springs in the city for a few days looking after some oil interests he has in this vicinity.

Mr. Amos is an old-time friend and school mate of Sam Apple and for a number of years was pastor of the first Baptist church of Hot Springs where he waged war upon race track gambling and taking his fight to the legislature won out. He is taking a vacation at present from his ministerial duties and is looking after some oil interests in a field southwest of Waurika, where the prospects for a new well are very good, and if successful will open up an entirely new field.

While in the city the members of the Broadway Baptist church are going to make an effort to have him preach for them.

Broadway Baptist Church.

Supt. C. W. Richards will conduct prayer meeting and teachers' class at the church tonight. Rev. Carrol Smith, who was to have been present, can not be with us, but will occupy the pulpit Sunday morning and evening.
G. P. SELVIDGE,
Chairman Board of Deacons.

WHEAT ON DECLINE
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 6.—The wheat rise has stopped. Prices fell slightly today.

PANIC IN NEW YORK'S SUBWAY

FIRE CAUSES PANIC IN SUBWAY
—ONE PERSON DEAD, HUNDREDS INJURED.

RUSH FOR THE EXITS

Panic-Stricken Passengers on Trains
Hurry up and Down the Tracks in Semi-Darkness, Miraculously Avoiding Third Rail.

New York, Jan. 6.—The latest reports say that the fire was not in a train, but in a nearby electrical conduit, causing the panic.

New York, Jan. 6.—Several hundred persons were overcome with smoke, cut by flying glass or bruised and injured in a fire in a subway train at the height of the rush hour today.

In the ensuing panic the police issued the statement that there were twelve known dead, but this proved to be unfounded, there being only one known dead at noon today. Some reports had the dead ranging from twenty to two hundred.

The fire started from an electrical explosion in a stalled train between 50th and 59th streets. The passengers jammed in this and the other stalled trains of eight cars, each began fighting their way out of the narrow doors at each end of the train where exit was safest.

Up and down the tracks in the semi-darkness they ran miraculously avoiding the third rails, the heavy smoke sneaking through the tube like a fine overtaking them and many of them dropping unconscious and in panic.

Many were trampled at both the 50th and 59th street stations.

As the smoke began choking persons at the stations a mile away, the city awoke to the fact that something horrible was occurring under the streets. The entire fire department and all ambulances and pulmotors were called out. Man holes were ripped up, and choking, senseless victims were lifted from below through these smoking holes.

TO RAISE THE STANDARD OF ARMY AND NAVY

CONFERENCE HELD AT HOME OF SECRETARY GARRISON LAST NIGHT WHEN AMERICA'S PREPAREDNESS WAS DISCUSSED.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Although last night's conference at Secretary Garrison's home by the congressional leaders on the United States' preparedness for war is a secret, it is known that the conferees agreed that congress shall try all possible ways to bring the army and navy up to the highest standard of efficiency.

MANY DISCUSS PROHIBITION

Idaho's Governor Urges Prohibition, Also Governor of Minnesota
Boise, Idaho, Jan. 6.—Governor Alexander declared for statewide prohibition in his first message to the Idaho legislature today.

Minnesota Wants it, Too.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 6.—Governor Hammond in his inaugural address today urged the passage of some sort of temperance law by the Minnesota legislature.

May Deadlock Speakership.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 6.—The prohibition issue threatened a deadlock in the speakership at the opening of the legislature today.

5,000 TAKEN PRISONERS

VILLA'S ARMY ADMINISTERED A CRUSHING DEFEAT BY CARRANZA FORCES.

THOUSANDS WOUNDED

Wounded Arriving in Vera Cruz by Trainloads, as Result of Battle at Puebla — Obregon Makes Villa's Chief Subordinate Prisoner.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Details of the capture of Puebla by the constitutionalists yesterday say that five thousand of Villa's troops were made prisoners and several thousand others are believed to have been killed and wounded.

These figures are from Carranza sources.

General Obregon says he will attack Mexico City within thirty days.

Trainloads of Wounded.

Vera Cruz, Jan. 6.—Trainloads of wounded are arriving here from the Carranza victory at Puebla yesterday.

General Angeles Prisoner.

Naco, Ariz., Jan. 6.—It is reported here that Villa's chief subordinate, General Angeles, was captured yesterday when Obregon took Puebla.

PERMIT WOOL EXPORTATION

Australia Agrees to Permit Exportation of Merino Wool to America.

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 6.—This country has decided to permit the exportation of Merino wool to the United States on condition that America promise not to re-export it.

Another Big Cattle Deal.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 6.—The Fort Cattle company here today bought seven thousand steers for \$120,000 from Russell & Tarver.

CITY ASSURED LIGHTS WILL BE PLACED

CITIZENS OF NORTHWEST ARDMORE CAN REST ASSURED THE WORK WILL BE DONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

The citizens living west of Washington street and north of the Ringling railroad, who have been complaining so bitterly in the past about inadequate lighting at the crossings of the railroad, are assured that the defect will be remedied as soon as the work can be properly done by the electric light company.

Mr. Stoneburner, general manager of the railroad assured the mayor that this would be his object, and the matter was discussed at the regular meeting of the board of commissioners last night.

For some months the people of that section have been submitting to a great inconvenience and submitted gracefully until winter began and the dark, rainy nights began to make it further unendurable, then they protested so vehemently that they are going to get relief.

"There is some inconvenience to be expected during the changing of the lighting system," said an official this morning, "and the people must be patient until the work can be done, then Ardmore will be as well lighted and as cheaply lighted as any city of its size in the state."

Aside from the routine work of the commissioners, very little else was accomplished at last night's meeting.

"Meet Me at the Golden Gate"

GREATEST PROBLEM FOR OKLAHOMA IS LABOR FOR UNEMPLOYED

Democracy in State and Nation is on Trial. Legislator Who Permits Himself to be Only an Echo, Has His Power Minimized and Reaps a Harvest of Contempt. If Agitation Must Come, Then Use it to Give Greater Freedom to Those Who Employ Labor. The Legislature Backed by the People Must Hold the Scales of Justice.

Vigilance is the price of liberty. Agitation is the hope of the unions. Agitation, continuous agitation—never let the people forget that organized labor has a voice, never allow legislators to forget that union labor has a vote.

That's the policy of union labor.

We do not say this as a criticism upon labor. It is to their credit. They always ask for more than they expect to get. They publish to the world their disappointment, when really they laugh in their sleeve that they received so much. That is their business, and labor is working for labor every day of the year. Their dues go into a fund, out of which men are hired as agitators and legislative committees are appointed, and these committees are ambitious to make a good showing.

The corporations, on the other hand, those who employ labor, are working as industriously as labor is working. They have their men who represent them, they obtain a vast amount of publicity to induce men to think as they think. The corporations are not to be misunderstood in their work, nor are they to be condemned.

If either side had full sway, the other side would suffer.

It is plain then, that the people have a duty, and that duty consists in holding the scales of justice. Be fair to both, do no wrong to either.

Labor has this advantage—that their votes count more; they have another advantage, which lies in the general feeling of prejudice against corporations. A lawsuit between an individual and a railway company invokes all the sympathy of court house attendants for the individual. The railroad is looked upon as able to pay, because they handle vast sums of money. The railroad is looked upon as being owned by a handful of millionaires, when, in fact, a vast amount of railway securities are held by trust funds which are being held for children and for widows, and many small investors own railway securities.

This sentiment against the railway has led to loss in this country. Many of the railways have passed into the hands of receivers. Their securities are discredited.

The discrediting of securities stops investments of that kind. Labor is killing the goose that laid the golden egg. Oklahoma can support twice the railways it has today and employ twice the labor. But we take a fiendish delight, it seems, in placing every burden upon them we can, and make it impossible for them to operate at a profit, and consequently keep down railway building to the minimum. Not a mile of road is under construction in this state now. Our mineral deposits and our farms are undeveloped for lack of railways, but still we throw every burden upon them, we can.

The member of the legislature who allows the labor vote to frighten him or to induce him to espouse opinions that are not his own, is a menace to the prosperity of Oklahoma. Labor deserves the friendship of the legislator but it does not deserve to make him a slave. The man who does his own thinking without the fear of votes, is the man who is trusted with office. Labor learns to despise the man who serves it through fear. To prove this assertion you have but to make a self-case of it. You minimize and hold in contempt any man who is willing to do your bidding without inquiry into principle, without asking whether it is right or wrong. Labor holds the same opinion of the echo in the legislature, who can but voice the sentiments of labor without appealing to his own judgment.

National democracy is on trial, and it brings sorrow to the heart to see the bread lines in the cities and to

see cotton selling so low that children cannot have shoes for their feet.

We have been taught to love the democratic party, and we do love it. We have looked to the party to free us from some of the wrongs we fancied we have been suffering. We believe the democratic party is founded upon truth and we believe that truth will finally prevail. Democracy has not been the cause of business stagnation in the south, but it was caused by the crowned heads of Europe, who love their own power more than they love human life.

While that is true, the average voter is slow to perceive it. He remembers the bread line, he remembers his low price of cotton, he remembers his hardships.

We can do a few things now to help. We can place no stones in the way of men who employ labor. We can allow railway legislation, at least, to rest another two years. We can keep down the agitation of these measures that further hamper railways. We can allow them to attend to their business another two years, by refusing to consider legislation that places more burdens upon them. This sentiment is pretty well grounded into the public mind. We would rather see no agitation at this session of the legislature which has for its purpose additional burdens upon any company that employs labor, but if agitators will bring about consideration of measures, then we would rather see some of the bars let down and a greater freedom given to companies that employ labor. The party we love, the people we love, are on trial in state and in nation. We are going to give the best intelligence we have to holding up their hands while they fight the battles upon which our prosperity and the success of our party depends.

We silently breathe out hopes that judgment may not be misguided, our institutions need the fullest freedom in these trying times, we look to them to give employment to labor, which at this time is the greatest problem before the people of the south.

TOTAL RAINFALL FOR YEAR JUST PASSED

SEVERAL INCHES SHORT OF SEASON OF 1913; AUGUST HAD THE HEAVIEST RAINFALL, OCTOBER LIGHTEST DURING THE YEAR.

The total rain fall for the year just ended was considerably less than for the year 1913, being but 29.13, as compared to 42.09 for 1913, a difference of 12.96 inches.

The heaviest rainfall during 1914 was in August when the total for the month was 6.58 inches, the lightest rainfall for any month was in October, when but 0.05 inches was recorded.

The rainfall for the year, by months as registered at the local observatory was as follows:

	inches
January	0.38
February	1.23
March	3.01
April	2.88
May	6.17
June	0.13
July	0.16
August	6.58
September	2.46
October	0.05
November	1.34
December	4.74
Total	29.13